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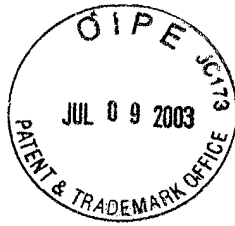
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction dated June 4, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-32, drawn to a method of nucleic acid detection, classified in class 435, subclass 6.

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### **REMARKS**

As indicated above, in response to the Requirement for Restriction dated June 4, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-32, drawn to a method of nucleic acid detection, classified in class 435, subclass 6. Applicants note that although the Restriction Requirement indicates that claims 33-38, Group II, are directed at kits, claims 35-38 are directed at libraries of detector oligonucleotides. Since a search of the methods of claims 9-19, which include an oligonucleotide linked to a detector tag for detecting a plurality of specific nucleic acids, will identify art that is relevant to the detector oligonucleotide libraries of claims 35-38, Applicants respectfully request that claims 35-38 be examined with claims 1-32.

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### CONCLUSION

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this response. However, if any fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge (or apply any credits to) Deposit Account 50-1355. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if there are any questions related to this matter.

If the Examiner would like to discuss any of the issues raised in the Response, Applicants' representative can be reached at (858) 677-1456. Please charge any additional fees, or make any credits, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355.

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